

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR
ENHANCING CORTICOSTEROID
DELIVERY

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The Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 19, 2003, please consider the following remarks. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the application.

AMENDMENTS

What is claimed is:

1. (original) A composition comprising

One or more corticosteroids;

Two or more penetration enhancers; and

One or more of the group consisting of solvents and emulsifiers, wherein the penetration enhancers are present in a ratio to a total of the penetration enhancers, and solvents and emulsifiers of at least about 0.70.

2. (original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the corticosteroid comprises a fluorinated corticosteroid.

3. (original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the corticosteroid comprises fluocinonide.